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Re: **US Patent Application No.: 10/064,315**  
**Filed: July 2, 2002**  
**Applicant: Jun HANEDA**  
**For: MANAGEMENT APPARATUS,**  
**INTERCONNECTING DEVICE,**  
**COMMUNICATION SYSTEM, PROGRAM AND**  
**MANAGEMENT METHOD**

Dear Sir,

Enclosed are the following in connection with the above-referenced  
United States patent application.

- **Information Disclosure Statement.**

Kindly contact the undersigned if you have any questions or  
concerns regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,

*Akihiro Ryuka*  
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Enclosures



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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Jun HANEDA

Appln. No. 10/064,315

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir,

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and /or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date for an application other than a continued prosecution application (CPA) under § 1.53(d); (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under § 1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 (e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (p) is required.

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

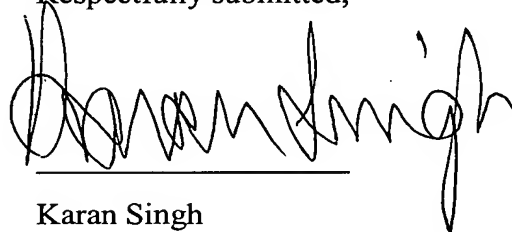
U.S. Application No. 10/064,315

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

**Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 11-340980 is disclosed in the specification of the above-identified application.**

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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